

Virginia Board of Education
Student Advisory Committee
Minutes: February 14, 2006

Students in Attendance:

Victoria Artis, Daniel Morgan Middle School; Christina Azimi, James W. Robinson, Jr. Secondary School; Michael Burt, Hidden Valley High School; Taikein Cooper, Prince Edward County High School; Jennifer Deskins, Bruton High School; Vincent Feucht, West Point High School; Carlie Fogleman, Lebanon High School; Stacey LaRiviere, Bailey Bridge Middle School; Adrian Lehnert, George Washington, Middle School; Dion Quick, Hugo Owens Middle School; Franklin Tennyson, Hermitage High School; and Alexandra Whitehead, Staunton River High School.

Department of Education Staff in Attendance:

Dr. Patricia Wright, Anne Wescott, Michelle Vucci, Michelle Parker, Melissa Velazquez

Virginia Board of Education Members in Attendance:

Isis Castro, Eleanor Saslaw

Mrs. Castro and Mrs. Saslaw welcomed the members of the Student Advisory Committee. Speakers from the Virginia Department of Education presented information to the committee regarding the three issues that were selected for this year. Deborah Bliss, Mathematics Specialist, spoke on student awareness of the real world; Art Stewart, Coordinator of Mediation, spoke on peer mediation; and Dr. Elizabeth Russell, Director of Career and Technical Education, spoke on the recognition of diversity of interests in education.

After lunch, the Student Advisory Committee convened in their three work groups to discuss the research they had done since the January meeting and the information that had been presented in the morning, and to develop a brief statement for presentation to the Board of Education at its meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2006. The entire committee then reconvened to listen to reports on each work group's progress and their proposed statements for the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 25-26, 2006.